

Commissioner for Patents  
Amendment dated June 10, 2004  
Response to Office Action dated March 10, 2004  
Page 3 of 11

Serial: 09/737343  
Art Unit: 2151  
Examiner: Phillips  
Docket: AUS000424US1

**Amendments to the Abstract:**

Please replace the originally submitted abstract with the following abstract

A method of reducing traffic in a network includes invoking a server program from a network user station. A data file is retrieved from a network server. Changes made to the data file are recorded in a change file located in user station storage. Upon completing the changes, the change file is transferred to the server. The data file on the server may then be modified based on the contents of the change file. The contents of the change file may be periodically transferred to the server and accumulated in a master change file on the server. Additional traffic reduction is achieved by determining portions of the server program that are frequently invoked by user and copying those portions from the server to local storage of the user station. Upon subsequently invoking one of the determined portions, the locally stored copy of the program may be executed.